

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A vacuum cleaner including:

- a brush capable of inhaling air that contains external dusts;
- a cleaner body for supplying suction force to the brush; and
- a handle tube interposed between the brush and the cleaner body, ~~to interconnect~~
for interconnecting the brush and the cleaner body so that air is capable of flowing through the handle tube, ~~wherein~~ the handle tube ~~comprises~~ comprising:

- a cyclone dust collector having an inlet port and an outlet port and being mounted on the handle tube; and
- a handle tube body having a first flow conduit having an air inlet in fluid communication with the brush on the brush end of the handle tube and a suction port connected to the inlet port of the cyclone dust collector; and a second flow conduit formed into a double-bent construction and forming a handle space under the handle tube to be gripped by a user, the second flow conduit having an air outlet in fluid communication with a flexible hose at a rear end of the handle tube, and a discharge port connected to the outlet port of the cyclone dust collector, [[and]]

wherein the cyclone dust collector is mounted under a portion of the double-bent construction and parallel to the double bent portion of the handle.

Claim 2. Cancelled.

Claim 3 (Original): The vacuum cleaner according to claim 1, wherein a knurled part is formed in the external surface of the handle.

Claims 4-5: Cancelled.

Claim 6 (Previously presented): The vacuum cleaner according to claim 1, wherein the cyclone dust collector further comprises:

a cyclone body that renders air flowing within the handle tube to swirl, centrifugally separates, and discharges dust; and
a soil collection receptacle for collecting centrifugally separated dusts, the receptacle being removably attached to the cyclone body.

Claim 7 (Original): The vacuum cleaner according to claim 6, wherein the cyclone body comprises:

a suction port through which air that contains dust and flows into the handle tube, is caused to swirl;
a discharge port for discharging dust-separated air; and
a grill joined to the discharge port for removing soils.

Claim 8 (Previously presented): A vacuum cleaner component comprising:

a handle tube for the vacuum cleaner interposed between a brush capable of inhaling air that contains external dust and a cleaner body for supplying suction force to the brush, wherein an air flow passage for interconnecting the brush and the cleaner body is formed as a handle capable of being gripped by a user, and wherein the handle is double-bent between a distal end connected with the brush, and a proximal end connected with the cleaner body; and
a cyclone dust collector having an inlet port and an outlet port and being installed proximate the double-bent portion of the handle,
wherein the handle tube comprises a handle tube body having a first flow conduit with an air inlet in fluid communication with the brush on the brush end of the handle tube and a suction port connected to the inlet port of the cyclone dust collector; and a second flow conduit containing the double-bent portion and forming a handle space under the handle tube, the second flow conduit having an air outlet in fluid communication with a flexible hose at a rear end of the

handle tube, and a discharge port connected to the outlet port of the cyclone dust collector, and wherein the cyclone is mounted under a portion of the double-bent construction.

Claim 9. Cancelled.